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PROGRAM AMENDMENTS EEM Program Amendment Resolution G-00-03, Amending Resolutions G-99-20 and FP-99-22 Action Item

CTC Meeting:

March 29-30, 2000

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EEM PROGRAM AMENDMENT – ACTION

Resolution G-00-03 Amending Resolution G-99-20 and Resolution FP-99-22

RECOMMENDATION

PROJECT NO.

The Department of Transportation recommends the California Transportation Commission approved the following resolution, amending Resolution G-99-20 (the 1999-00 EEM Program adoption resolution) and Resolution FP-99-22 (the allocation resolution), to transfer the applicant and recipient status on the Big Sur Native Landscape Recovery Project from The Big Sur Land Trust to the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission revises the 1999-00 Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program as shown below:

APPLICANT & PROJECT

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Old:			
114	The Big Sur Land Trust Big Sur Native Landscape Recovery Project Remove non-native invasive weeds an restore approximately 200 acres of public lands	99-00 d	\$250,0000
New:			
114	California Department of Parks and Recreation Big Sur Native Landscape Recovery Project Remove non-native invasive weeds ar restore approximately 200 acres of public lands	99-00 ad	\$250,0000

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BACKGROUND

The state-funded EEM Program was enacted in 1989 by the Transportation Blueprint Legislation and amended in 1995 and 1999. This legislation states that it is the intent of the legislature to allocate \$10 million annually to this program. State, federal, local agencies, and non-profit entities may apply for EEM grant funds to undertake environmental enhancement and mitigation projects that are related to the impacts of new or modified transportation facilities. Projects must be above and beyond the required mitigation for the transportation project and are generally limited to grants of \$250,000. Recent enactment of a 1999 statute removed the 10-year sunset on the program and it will continue indefinitely.

SUMMARY

This amendment transfers the applicant status of the project from a non-profit entity, the Big Sur Land Trust, to the California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks). The original grant application states that State Parks is to undertake all project work on public land as the contractor on the project. The EEM funding would be more efficiently used if the Big Sur Land Trust does not remain involved in the project, and instead State Parks is substituted as the applicant. State Parks has secured the \$205,000 of matching funding necessary to complete the project as required by the EEM Applicant-State Agreement. The \$250,000 in EEM funds was allocated to the Big Sur Land Trust at the September 29-30, 1999, CTC meeting, Resolution FP 99-22. The total cost on the project is estimated at \$455,000.

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ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT AND MITIGATION PROGRAM

January 27, 2000

VIA FAX TO 916-654-3770 & 1ST CLASS MAIL

Carolyn Dudley, EEM Program Manager California Department of Transportation Design and Local Programs P.O. Box 942873 Sacramento CA 94273-0001

Re:

Project No.: EEM-0099(114)

Project Name: Big Sur Native Landscape Recovery Project

Agreement No.: 05-99-07

Applicant: The Big Sur Land Trust

Change of Applicant

Dear Ms. Dudley:

This office represents The Big Sur Land Trust (BSLT), the applicant in the above referenced project and agreement.

Per our recent telephone conversations this will confirm BSLT's request to be considered for a Change of Applicant at the next CTC meeting and will breifly summarize the reasons for said request.

During the past few months BSLT has discussed the above referenced project with the State Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks). It has become apparent that as State Parks will be undertaking all the project work on public land essentially as a "sub-contractor" to BSLT. The EEM funding would be more efficiently utilized if BSLT does not remain involved as a "middleman", and instead State Parks is substituted as the applicant.

It is our understanding that State Parks currently has or will have the matching funding necessary to complete the project as required in the agreement. You indicated to me that you would be speaking with Charlie Willard to confirm this issue.

Assuming that Mr. Willard concurs, BSLT hereby requests that this matter be placed on the agenda for the next CTC meeting, which you indicated will be held at the end of March 2000.

Please call if you have any questions or require any further information.

Sincerely,

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The Big Sur Land Trust

State Parks; Attn: Kenneth L. Gray

State Parks; Attn: Tom Moss

Charlie Willard

Transportation Funding

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ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT AND MITIGATION PROGRAM APPLICATION

(Enter Grant Project Information under Section A and Transportation Project Information under Section B.)
See reverse side for additional instructions.

. GRAM CATEGORY (check of Highway Landscape and Urban F		Resource Lands	Roadside Recreationa	
A. GRANT PROJECT (Name)		AMOUNT OF GRANT REQ	UEST \$ \$250,000	
BIG SUR NATIVE LANDSC <i>A</i> PROJECT	PE RECOVERY	ESTIMATED TOTAL PROJECT COST \$ 455,000 (Grant, Donations, etc., excluding Transportation Project)		
GRANT APPLICANT (Agency —	Address — ZIP code)		ON Along State Highway	
LOCAL AGENCY STATE AGENCY	FEDERAL AGENCY NONPRO	adjacent to Limek at Garrapata Stat Nearest Cross Street	ciln, J.P. Burns, Pfeif	
		Monterey	Carmel	
CALIF. DEPT. OF PARKS MONTEREY DISTRICT 2211 CARDEN BOAD MONTE		County 15	Nearest City 27	
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Grant Applicant's Representative A CHARLIE WILLARD Name		Please indicate if address differs from FUNDING COORDIN		
Person with day-to-day responsibility for pr	oject (if different from authorized	representative)		
KEN GRAY Name	ACTING DIST	CRICT SUPERINTENDENT	831-649-2862 Phone	
ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE			tus)	
Type X Exempt	Negative Declaration	Categorical Exemption	Environmental Impact Report	
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B. RELATED TRANSPORTATIO				
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stand the important information	• •			
Signed / sule	GNWV		Date FEB.1 2000	
RA (8/93) (Grant Applicant's Aut	horized Representative, as s	hown on the Resolution)	Page 1 of 2	

ASSURANCES

Applicant possesses legal authority to apply for the grant and to finance, acquire, and construct the proposed project; and by formal action (e.g., a resolution) the applicant's governing body authorized the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and authorized the person identified as the official representative of the applicant to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.

Applicant will manage and maintain any property acquired, developed, rehabilitated, or restored with grant funds in the future. With the granting agency's prior approval, the applicant or its successors in interest may transfer the management and maintenance responsibilities in the property. If the property is not managed and maintained for the purposes stated in the project agreement, the state shall be reimbursed an amount at least equal to the amount of the grant award or, for real property, the pro rata fair market value of the property, including improvements, at the time of sale, whichever is higher.

Applicant will give the state's authorized representative access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the grant.

Applicant will cause work on the project to be commenced within a reasonable time after receipt of notification from the state that funds have been approved and that the project will be carried to completion with reasonable diligence.

Applicant will comply where applicable with provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act and the California Relocation Assistance Act, and any other state, and/or local laws, rules and/or regulations.

Date

Signed___

(Grant Applicant's Authorized Representative)

RA (7/96)

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BIG SUR NATIVE LANDSCAPE RECOVERY PROJECT SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	TOTAL	\$455,000
The Watershed Institute	•	100,000
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation		105,000
EEM		250,000